



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

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Ward 2 – Apartment Fire – 6100 Block of East Pima Street

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Dispatch Time – 1752

On-Scene Time – 1757

Under Control - 1827

Two people were home when this fire started in the kitchen and quickly spread throughout the entire apartment. A man was cooking when the fire started in a pan on the stove. The smoke detector sounded and woke up his son, who was sleeping. His son ran outside and called 9-1-1 while he attempted to extinguish the fire. The fire spread too fast and he was forced outside by the heat and smoke.

Firefighters arrived on scene to find the two occupants of the fire-involved apartment outside and uninjured. Apartments were evacuated and the fire was extinguished in 30 minutes. A total of 12 people were evacuated from 9 apartments for approximately one hour. Two of those ten people were displaced. Their apartment was completely destroyed.

Red Cross will be assisting with food, clothing and medications.

The apartment management will be providing them a different apartment to stay in.

Cause – “Accidental” – Cooking fire

Origin – Kitchen

Damage Estimate - \$100,000

Safety Message: The important thing to remember is to have a working smoke detector and an escape plan. Practice that plan with two ways out of every room. Make sure everyone knows to go to the meeting place and not to go back inside for anything.